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SUBJ: TRANSGABON RAILROAD: FINAL CONTRACT SIGNED FOR OWENDO-
FRANCEVILLE

REF: LIBREVILLE 1110

1. FINAL CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF TRANSGABON FROM
OWENDO TO FRANCEVILLE SIGNED NOVEMBER 26 IN LIBREVILLE BY
PRESIDENT BONGO AND EUROPEAN CONSORTIUM, WITH FRENCH FIRM
SPIE BATIGNOLLES AS LEADER. TOTAL AMOUNT OF CONTRACT
84 BILLION CFA (DOLS 357 MILLION).

2. REFTTEL REPORTED SIGNATURE OF AGREEMENT WITH SAME GROUP
IN SEPTEMBER FOR 80 BILLION CFA. THIS TURNED OUT TO HAVE
BEEN ONLY AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE AND NEGOTIATIONS HAVE
BEEN GOING ON EVER SINCE TO WORK OUT FINAL AGREEMENT.

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INCREASED PRICE REPORTEDLY CAUSED BY CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS

SOUGHT BY GABONESE, INCLUDING WIDER ROADBED.

3. EMBASSY CURRENTLY AWAITING OCTRA LETTER FORMALLY
ANNOUNCING SIGNATURE.

4. DECONTROL UPON RECEIPT.
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